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Inventor: **Joseph S. Gordon et al.**

Title: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR COUPLING A PELLICLE
 TO A PHOTOMASK USING A NON-DISTORTING
 MECHANISM**

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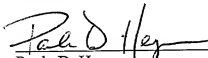
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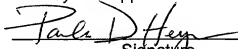
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